

In re Application of: Baptista
Serial No.: 10/789,451
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Filed: February 26, 2004
For: VACUUM PACKAGING APPLIANCE
WITH REMOVABLE TROUGH



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 12, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.